

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An image processing apparatus which processes printing based upon data, comprising:

print mode acquisition means which acquires a type
5 of a print mode set by a user out of a plurality of print modes including a first mode for printing an image based upon data, a second mode for printing another image instead of the image based upon data, and a third mode for not printing the image based upon
10 data; and

control means which controls print processing according to the type of the print mode acquired by said print mode acquisition means.

15 2. The image processing apparatus according to claim 1,

wherein, in said second mode, information indicating reference to image data to be acquired is printed instead of an image based upon the image data
20 to be acquired.

3. The image processing apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising reception means which receives data constituted of a plurality of image data,

25 wherein said control means controls the print processing so as to print images based upon the respective plurality of image data in the case where said first mode is set, controls the print processing

so as to print other images instead of the images based upon the respective plurality of image data in the case where said second mode is set, and controls the print processing so as not to print the images based upon the
5 respective plurality of image data in the case where said third mode is set.

4. The image processing apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising reception means which receives
10 data constituted of image data, position information corresponding to the image data, and identification information identifying the image data,

wherein the position information indicate a position where the image data should be printed,

15 said control means controls the print processing so as to print an image based upon the image data in a position indicated by the position information in the case where said first mode is set, controls the print processing so as to print an image based upon the
20 identification information in the position indicated by the position information instead of the image based upon the image data in the case where said second mode is set, and controls the print processing so as not to print the image based upon the image data in the
25 position indicated by the position information in the case where said third mode is set.

5. An image processing method for processing printing based upon data, comprising controlling print processing in a print mode which is set by a user out of a plurality of print modes including a first mode for printing an image based upon data, a second mode for printing another image instead of the image based upon data, and a third mode for not printing the image based upon data.

6. The image processing method according to claim 5, wherein, in said second mode, information indicating reference to image data to be acquired is printed instead of an image based upon the image data to be acquired.

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7. The image processing method according to claim 5, further comprising receiving data constituted of a plurality of image data,

wherein the image processing method controls the print processing so as to print images based upon the respective plurality of image data in the case where said first mode is set, controls the print processing so as to print other images instead of the images based upon the respective plurality of image data in the case where said second mode is set, and controls the print processing so as not to print the images based upon the respective plurality of image data in the case where said third mode is set.

8. The image processing method according to claim 5, further comprising:

receiving data constituted of image data, position information corresponding to the image data, and
5 identification information identifying the image data; and

controlling the print processing so as to print an image based upon the image data in a position indicated by the position information in the case where said
10 first mode is set, controlling the print processing so as to print an image based upon the identification information in the position indicated by the position information instead of the image based upon the image data in the case where said second mode is set, and
15 controlling the print processing so as not to print the image based upon the image data in the position indicated by the position information in the case where said third mode is set.

20 9. A program which processes printing based upon data, the program causing a computer to execute:

a print mode acquisition step of acquiring a type of a print mode set by a user out of a plurality of print mode including a first mode for printing an image
25 based upon data, a second mode for printing another image instead of the image based upon data, and a third mode for not printing the image based upon data; and

a print processing step of performing print processing according to the type of the print mode acquired in said print mode acquisition step.

- 5 10. The program according to claim 9, further causing said computer to execute a reception step of receiving data constituted of a plurality of image data,

wherein, in said print processing step, the program performs the print processing so as to print
10 images based upon the respective plurality of image data in the case where said first mode is set, performs the print processing so as to print other images instead of the images based upon the respective plurality of image data in the case where said second
15 mode is set, and performs the print processing so as not to print the images based upon the respective plurality of image data in the case where said third mode is set.

- 20 11. A computer readable recording medium in which the program according to claim 9 is stored.